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FIRE BIRD

ROSEA  
GIGANTEA

GOLDEN  
GATE

**JOHN F. CROOM & BRO.**  
**MAGNOLIA · NORTH CAROLINA**

*Established 1874*  
**PRICE LIST 1925-1926**



## TO OUR PATRONS

**NON-WARRANTY.** We wish it to be distinctly understood that, while we take every precaution to have all plants and bulbs true to name, we give no warranty, express or implied, as to description, quality, productiveness, or any other matter, of any of the plants or bulbs we send out, and we will not in any way be responsible for the crop. Every order we receive will be executed on these conditions only, and they must be accepted by the customer when ordering.

**FORWARDING.** We do not guarantee safe delivery of any plants or bulbs we send out. The reasons for non-delivery and delivery in bad condition are entirely beyond our control, such as wrecks, bad and careless handling, unfavorable weather conditions, etc. After we deliver to transportation company then and there our responsibility ceases. All claims for losses, delays and damage should be made to transportation company as such claims are due to their carelessness, not ours.

**PACKING.** No charge is made for packing or containers or for delivery to depot. We pack Tuberoses and Caladiums in barrels lined with paper. We use dry shavings as a filler. We use wood heads in barrels. Cannas are also packed in barrels except when special instructions are given for cases. When cases are used we pack 250 to the case. We take great care in packing to protect from frost and mark each package, "Bulbs, Perishable, Protect from Extreme Heat or Cold."

**CONDITIONS.** We aim to execute all orders as instructed, but during the rush season in February and March delays are sometimes unavoidable, due to the fact that seventy-five per cent. of our stock moves in these two months. We nearly always have trouble in getting refrigerator cars. Delays, however, can be partly overcome by our patrons being willing for us to ship as early as possible in the spring and when we have package cars going to or close to destination. All orders received are subject to crop failures, strikes, fires and all other causes over which we have no control.

**LOCATION.** We are situated in Southeastern part of North Carolina, on well drained Norfolk loam soil. On the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad forty-eight miles north of Wilmington and one hundred and ninety-seven miles south of Richmond, Va. Visitors are always welcome.

**TERMS.** All goods sold "Free on Board", Magnolia, N. C. We decline to send goods "Collect on Delivery". To those with an established credit standing, we allow 2 per cent. for cash in ten days or sixty days net. Those who have no credit standing will please send cash or satisfactory references with order.

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## CANNAS

### PINK SHADES WITH GREEN FOLIAGE

☐ **CITY OF PORTLAND.** 3½ ft. The flowers are of the largest size, borne on heavy trusses. The color is a glowing shade of pink. The foliage is substantial and strong, of rich green color and free from defects. **\$30.00** per 1,000.

☐ **HUNGARIA.** 3½ ft. Large flowers borne on trusses of enormous size, color a pure La France pink with satiny sheen. The most popular pink. **\$30.00** per 1,000.

☐ **MORNING GLOW.** 3½ ft. A color contrast of more than usual picturesqueness; foliage an olive-green, striped and veined with bronze. Flowers exquisite, soft shell pink with orange red center. **\$30.00** per 1,000.

☐ **MRS. ALFRED F. CONARD.** 4 ft. The grandest salmon-pink Canna in existence. Magnificent heads of perfectly formed flowers of great size and wonderful substance. **\$30.00** per 1,000.

☐ **ROSEA GIGANTEA.** 3½ ft. Rich soft rose pink flowers of gigantic size; a prolific bloomer. The large broad petals and the massive heads of bloom invariably create a sensation. **\$30.00** per 1,000.

☐ **SUSQUEHANNA.** 3 ft. An early bloomer with large old-rose-pink flowers borne on strong bronzy stems. Foliage olive-green. A valuable dwarf variety. **\$50.00** per 1,000.

☐ **VENUS.** 4 ft. A gay rosy-pink, with a well-defined border of creamy yellow. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

### YELLOW SHADES WITH GREEN FOLIAGE

☐ **APRICOT.** 4 ft. The color is a buff-yellow base overspread with salmon-pink, making a mass effect of rich apricot. **\$40.00** per 1,000.

☐ **AUSTRIA.** 4½ ft. Pure canary yellow with crimson spots in the center of the two inside petals. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **BUTTERCUP.** 3 ft. The best dwarf yellow. Flowers of pure buttercup yellow. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **FLORENCE VAUGHAN.** 4 ft. Flowers of golden yellow, thickly dotted crimson. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **GLADIATOR.** 4½ ft. A leader for years. Color is a bright yellow spotted with crimson. No other cannas in this color can surpass this sturdy robust grower. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **GOLDEN GATE.** 4 ft. The flowers open almost pure gold but soon become richly rayed with orange-crimson and apricot centering to the throat. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

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☐ **INDIANA.** 6 ft. Orchid-flowered variety, with rich golden orange flowers often seven inches across. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **JANE ADDAMS.** 4 ft. A free flowering variety of bright butter-cup yellow. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **KARL MERCK.** 4 ft. Flower a pure yellow with tinge of orange and flecked with pink dashes becoming red in throat. Fine large flowers and large truss. Strong grower. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **KATE F. DEEMER.** 4 ft. Flowers open oriole-yellow gradually turning to turkey-red at base and white edges. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **ORANGE BEDDER.** 4 ft. Color bright orange with enough scarlet suffusion to intensify the dazzling mass of color. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **PRINCETON.** 4 ft. An intense yellow with red throat. Resists bleaching better than other yellow Cannas. \$20.00 per 1,000.

☐ **RICHARD WALLACE.** 4 ft. Canary-yellow flowers. Very floriferous. One of the best yellows. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **YELLOW KING HUMBERT.** 4 ft. Like King Humbert in habit of growth and flowering, and produces golden yellow flowers, blotched red. \$25.00 per 1,000.

## VARIEGATED FLOWERS WITH GREEN FOLIAGE

☐ **ALLEMANIA.** 5 ft. Orchid-flowering bright scarlet, with broad and irregular yellow border, beautifully mottled and variegated. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **GLADIOFLORA.** 3 ft. Crimson changing to carmen-rose and edged with gold. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **ITALIA.** 5 ft. Orchid-flowering variety. Color scarlet, broadly edged golden-yellow. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **MADAM CROZY.** 3½ ft. Flowers brilliant vermilion-scarlet, with narrow edge of bright golden yellow. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **NIAGARA.** 3 ft. Flowers deep crimson with wide irregular border of golden yellow. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **PANAMA.** 3 ft. Color rich orange-red with a border of golden yellow. Flowers of large size with enormous wide petals. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **QUEEN CHARLOTTE.** 3½ ft. Flowers rich pomegranate-red, bordered with bright golden yellow. \$15.00 per 1,000.

☐ **SOUV. de ANTOINE CROZY.** 3 ft. Beautiful red enlivened with a broad border of golden yellow. \$15.00 per 1,000.

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## CREAM AND WHITE SHADES WITH GREEN FOLIAGE

☐ **EUREKA.** 4 ft. The best white Canna for all purposes. The large substantial flowers are very freely produced on strong vigorous plants. **\$20.00** per 1,000.

☐ **MAROS.** 4 ft. Full trusses of large flowers with full rounded petals. Color nearly pure white. **\$20.00** per 1,000.

☐ **MT. BLANC IMPROVED.** 3½ ft. Large flowers of good substance, almost pure white. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

## BRONZE FOLIAGE VARIETIES

☐ **BRANDYWINE.** 3½ ft. Flowers of intense wine-red, dappled deep crimson; petals sometimes edged with gold. Dark bronze foliage. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **DAVID HARUM.** 3½ ft. Flowers intense vermilion-scarlet; very prolific. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **DR. E. ACKERKNECHT.** 4 ft. Flowers in a loose truss with broad petals and large size. Color a rich cerise pink with fleckings of deeper carmine. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **EGANDALE.** 4 ft. Flowers a currant-red of a peculiar and pleasing shade. An early and constant bloomer. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **FAKE YELLOW KING HUMBERT.** 4 ft. Like Yellow King Humbert in habit of growth and flowering. The foliage is bronze like King Humbert. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **KING HUMBERT.** 4 ft. This is the grandest Canna ever offered. The large heart-shaped leaves are purple-madder brown over bronze. The plants are crowned with immense heads of orchid-like, velvety orange-scarlet, rose tinted and margined at the base; a combination of leaf and blossom incomparably beautiful. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **NOKOMIS.** (1918) 5 ft. Large vivid crimson flowers with a rich, silky sheen on the large petals. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **SHENANDOAH.** 4 ft. Flowers salmon-pink borne in large clusters, foliage rich ruby-red. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **STATUTE OF LIBERTY.** 6 to 7 ft. Flowers blazing flame-red. The foliage is of a rich, luxuriant bronzy shade. The leaves are larger than any Canna we know. **\$40.00** per 1,000.

☐ **WABASH.** 4 ft. The bronze leaved Rosea Gigantea. Flowers are rose to carmine-pink and very large. An unusual Canna. **\$35.00** per 1,000.

☐ **WYOMING.** 5 ft. True orchid-flowered variety, with magnificent orange-colored flowers; foliage purple. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

## RED SHADES WITH GREEN FOLIAGE

☐ **ALPHONSE BOUVIER.** 4½ ft. Clear crimson flowers, produced in large clusters. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **BEAUTE POITEVINE.** 4 ft. Crimson flowers of good substance. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

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☐ **CANDELABRA.** 4 ft. Three to five flower branches on each stalk at one time is the average, and every single branch is ablaze with a torch-like flame of orange-scarlet bloom. **\$50.00** per 1,000.

☐ **CRIMSON BEDDER.** 3½ ft. Intense crimson of good quality. An excellent bedder. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **CHAS. HENDERSON.** 4 ft. Brilliant crimson-scarlet with flame yellow throat. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **DUKE OF MARLBOROUGH.** 4 ft. Deep crimson-maroon. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **EXPRESS.** 2½ ft. Bright scarlet-crimson. A good dwarf red Canna. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **FIERY CROSS.** 4 ft. Color vivid scarlet shading to crimson. So firm are the glistening petals that they do not wilt in the brightest sun. The foliage is a beautiful lustrous blue-green. It is entirely free from blight and disease. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **FIRE BIRD.** 3½ ft. A pure glistening scarlet, with big broad petals of fine substance. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **LAFAYETTE.** 5 ft. Flowers almost scarlet, intensely vivid and striking. A taller growing, more compact counterpart of that marvelous red bedder Meteor. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **LOUISIANA.** 6 ft. An orchid-flowering variety of vivid scarlet. The long silky flowers are borne well above the foliage. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **METEOR.** 4½ ft. Deep dazzling crimson flowers, produced in mammoth clusters. Considered by many to be the best crimson. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **MARVEL.** 2½ ft. A light velvety red with a delicate edging of bright orange. Flowers in good sized heads held well above the green foliage. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **OLYMPIC.** 5 ft. Rich Oriental red shading lighter toward the center and dappled carmine. The individual trusses and florets are very large. A very free bloomer. **\$20.00** per 1,000.

☐ **PENNSYLVANIA.** 6 ft. Large orchid-flowered scarlet, overlaid with orange. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **THE PRESIDENT.** 4 ft. This Canna is superior to any other red variety in the quality and also the quantity of bloom. Color rich glowing scarlet and the immense firm flowers are produced on strong erect stalks well above the large, rich green foliage. The foliage is entirely free from disease. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

☐ **UNCLE SAM.** 6 ft. Clear deep orange flowers, borne in large clusters, handsome, luxuriant, rich green foliage. The color does not fade. **\$15.00** per 1,000.

☐ **WINTZER'S COLOSSAL.** 5 ft. Without a doubt the largest flowered Canna yet produced. Flowers of vivid scarlet, sometimes measuring eight inches across. **\$25.00** per 1,000.

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# Tuberoses



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**DWARF EXCELSIOR PEARL.** 24 inches. Early bloomer bearing pure white flowers, very double and sweetly scented.

Size No. 2, 3 to 4 inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~50~~ \$ 7.50  
Size No. 1, 4 to 6 inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~10~~ 17.50  
Mammoth Bulbs 6 in. and up in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~10~~ 35.00

**VARIEGATED.** 30 inches. This is an early single white, with the green leaves finely edged and striped with gold.

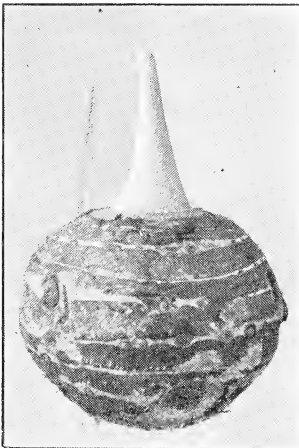
Size No. 2, 2 to 3½ inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~50~~ 7.50  
Size No. 1, 3½ to 6½ inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~50~~ 20.00

**ALBINO.** 30 inches. Very early bloomer; dwarf habit; flowers waxy white and single; very fragrant.

Size No. 2, 2 to 3½ inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~50~~ 7.50  
Size No. 1, 3½ to 6½ inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~50~~ 20.00

## Caladium Esculentum

### ELEPHANT'S EAR



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Small size 5 to 7 inches in circumference..... ~~XXX~~ ~~100~~ \$ 10.00  
Medium size 7 to 9 inches in circumference..... ~~XXX~~ ~~100~~ 22.50  
Large size 9 to 11 inches in circumference..... ~~XXX~~ ~~100~~ 50.00  
Extra Large size 11 to 13 inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~100~~ 125.00  
Mammoth size 13 to 15 inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~100~~ 250.00  
Mammoth size 15 to 17 inches in circumference ..... ~~XXX~~ ~~100~~ 500.00

All prices contained in this list are f. o. b.  
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